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Dear Sirs,

I am sorry to see the settlement that is being discussed at this time. I personally wished that there would be no settlement for Microsoft and that they would be subject to the judgement of the courts and their own folly. I have read the settlement and a fair number of essays on the matter. Something nags at me every time I read through sections of them. The settlement does not seem to hinder Microsoft in any way that it was before the trial.

Forgive me if my writing seems to be lacking in an understanding of legal issues. But, many of the terms used in this settlement seem to be either lacking a true definition or are only partial in their description of the issues. As pointed out, I'm sure, by professionals with much more experience than I, it would be quite easy for Microsoft to circumvent the restrictions made in this settlement. I have complete faith in Microsoft to try it and I honestly believe that Microsoft will end many of the disputes over this document repeatedly in a courtroom.

Here is a link to one such essay by Dan Kegel:

<http://www.kegel.com/remedy/remedy2.html>

I'm sure the author has already submitted this essay to you. He says it far better, and with many years more experience than I could.

It's been eight years since I first started working with computers professionally. Every year there seems to be less professionals who aren't cornered by Microsoft products or are left with Microsoft as the only choice in a field of products.

Sincerely,

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